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GED Ready™ test distribution

The following e-mail was distributed to all program contacts.

We are glad to share good news in that our agreement with KET has been approved to purchase the GED Ready™ test. KET will begin the distribution process within the next few business days.

Please carefully read information which accompanies the distribution of the GED Ready™ test voucher codes.

Additionally:

- Each program contact (you) will receive an email from KET with an Excel file of your content module voucher codes and an explanation of a process to redeem the codes. Each code can be redeemed for ONE content area module GED Ready™ test. Therefore, if you receive 348 voucher codes, you have received 348 content module codes, not 348 full battery codes.
- Be sure to safeguard this list! Save it. Back it up. Back up the back-up. While KET is maintaining a master list, there will be limited access to "lost" codes.
- Although any individual may pay and take the GED Ready™ test in their own home, when students take it in the adult education center, it is best administered in a proctored environment with few distractions (like any other assessment).
- Once a student passes all four content module Ready™ test, they are eligible to take the official GED® test and will be released within their MyGED portal account to do so.* Therefore, keep in mind what's best for the student and do not place additional expectations on the student in order to "permit them" to test. You may help them schedule their test date, if needed, but registration is all online and intended to be a self-serve platform.
- Content module voucher codes expire within 18 months of release from GEDTS®. Therefore, by the time you receive them, you should have the better part of 17 ½ months to use them.
- However, we do expect that you budget for GED Ready™ test purchases in next year's budget (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015). We have a negotiated price of \$2.75/content module voucher code currently. This is subject to change. However, we will work closely with KET to alert you to any changes.
- We are also purchasing licenses of KET's *Fast Forward*, to be used as a resource in standards-based instruction (it is not a complete curriculum). Standards should be used to align resources to develop curriculum (e.g., units, lesson plans, etc.). Licenses will be distributed separately and subsequent to the GED Ready™ test distribution. We will communicate protocol for that distribution at that time.

*GEDTS indicated that students needed to pass all four content module Ready™ test before being released to take the official GED® test. However, they also said that they plan on eventually being able to allow students to take one content module of the Ready™ test and, after passing, be released to take one content module of the official GED® test (without having to take the entire Ready™ test). We will continue to monitor this situation and alert you to if/when this occurs.

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